

OFFICIAL ABSENTEE/PROVISIONAL/CHALLENGED BALLOT
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GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 7, 2006
COLUMBIA COUNTY, GEORGIA

To vote, blacken the Oval (●) next to the candidate of your choice. To vote for a person not on the ballot, manually WRITE IN his or her name in the space provided, then blacken the corresponding Oval (●). If you desire to vote YES or NO for a PROPOSED QUESTION, blacken the corresponding Oval (●). Use only pen or pencil. If you spoil your ballot, do not erase, but ask for a new ballot.
"I understand that the offer or acceptance of money or any other object of value to vote for any particular candidate, list of candidates, issue, or list of issues included in this election constitutes an act of voter fraud and is a felony under Georgia law." [OCGA 21-2-285(h) and 21-2-383(a)]

<div>For Governor (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> SONNY PERDUE (Incumbent) Republican</div><div><input type="radio"/> MARK TAYLOR Democrat</div><div><input type="radio"/> GARRETT MICHAEL HAYES Libertarian</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div>	<div>For State School Superintendent (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> KATHY COX (Incumbent) Republican</div><div><input type="radio"/> DENISE MAJETTE Democrat</div><div><input type="radio"/> DAVID CHASTAIN Libertarian</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For Commissioner of Labor (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> BRENT BROWN Republican</div><div><input type="radio"/> MICHAEL "MIKE" THURMOND (Incumbent) Democrat</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For Public Service Commissioner (To Succeed David L. Burgess) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> CHUCK EATON Republican</div><div><input type="radio"/> DAVID L. BURGESS (Incumbent) Democrat</div><div><input type="radio"/> PAUL MACGREGOR Libertarian</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For Public Service Commissioner (To Succeed Stancil O. Wise) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> STAN WISE (Incumbent) Republican</div><div><input type="radio"/> DAWN RANDOLPH Democrat</div><div><input type="radio"/> KEVIN CHERRY Libertarian</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div><div>For U.S. Representative in 110th Congress From the 10th Congressional District of Georgia (Vote for One)</div><div><div><input type="radio"/> CHARLIE NORWOOD (Incumbent) Republican</div><div><input type="radio"/> TERRY HOLLEY Democrat</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div></div>	<div>For State Senator From 24th District (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> JIM WHITEHEAD, SR. (Incumbent) Republican</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For State Representative in the General Assembly From 118th District (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> BEN HARBIN (Incumbent) Republican</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For County Commission Chairperson (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> RON C. CROSS (Incumbent) Republican</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>NONPARTISAN ELECTION</div> <div>For Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia (To Succeed George H. Carley) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> GEORGE H. CARLEY (Incumbent)</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia (To Succeed Carol W. Hunstein) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> CAROL W. HUNSTEIN (Incumbent)</div><div><input type="radio"/> MIKE WIGGINS</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia (To Succeed Harold D. Melton) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> HAROLD D. MELTON (Incumbent)</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div>	<div>For Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia (To Succeed Hugh P. Thompson) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> HUGH P. THOMPSON (Incumbent)</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia (To Succeed John Ellington) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> JOHN ELLINGTON (Incumbent)</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia (To Succeed M. Yvette Miller) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> M. YVETTE MILLER (Incumbent)</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia (To Succeed Herbert E. Phipps) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> HERBERT E. PHIPPS (Incumbent)</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia (To Succeed J.D. Smith) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> J.D. SMITH (Incumbent)</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div> <div>For Judge, Superior Court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit (To Succeed James G. (Jim) Blanchard, Jr.) (Vote for One)</div> <div><div><input type="radio"/> JAMES G. (JIM) BLANCHARD, JR (Incumbent)</div><div><input type="radio"/></div><div>Write-in</div></div>
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<div><div>For Judge, Superior Court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit</div><div>(To Succeed William M. Fleming, Jr.) (Vote for One)</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>J. DAVID ROPER</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>WILLIE SAUNDERS</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>CHARLES L. (LES) WILKINSON</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>WILLIAM J. (BILL) WILLIAMS</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div></div></div><div>Write-in</div></div></div> <div><div>For Judge, Superior Court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit</div><div>(To Succeed Duncan D. Wheale) (Vote for One)</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>DUNCAN D. WHEALE (Incumbent)</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div></div></div><div>Write-in</div></div></div> <div><div>For Board of Education Chairperson</div><div>(Vote for One)</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>REGINA N. BUCCAFUSCO</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>LAWRENCE HAMMOND</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>LEE MUNS</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div></div></div><div>Write-in</div></div></div> <div><div>For County Board of Education, District 2</div><div>(Vote for One)</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>MILDRED R. BLACKBURN (MICKIE) (Incumbent)</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>ALMA "SISSY" HOBBS</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div></div></div><div>Write-in</div></div></div> <div><div>For Columbia County Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor</div><div>(Vote for One)</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div></div></div><div>Write-in</div></div></div> <div><div>PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS</div></div> <div><div><div>-1- TO RESTRICT THE USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN.</div><div>House Resolution No. 1306 Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to prohibit the use of eminent domain by certain nonelected authorities and to prohibit the contested use of eminent domain except for public use as defined by general law?</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div></div> <div><div><div>-2- TO PROTECT THE TRADITIONS OF FISHING AND HUNTING.</div><div>Senate Resolution No. 67 Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that the tradition of fishing and hunting and the taking of fish and wildlife shall be preserved for the people and shall be managed by law and regulation for the public good?</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div><div><div><div>-3- TO AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO DEDICATE REVENUE FROM SPECIAL MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES.</div><div>House Resolution No. 1564 Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize the General Assembly to provide for special motor vehicle license plates and dedicate the revenue from such plates for stated purposes, including dedications for the ultimate use of agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations where it is found that there will be a benefit to the state?</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div><div><div>PROPOSED STATEWIDE REFERENDA</div></div><div><div><div>-A- TO EXPAND THE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR FARM EQUIPMENT.</div><div>House Bill No. 203 Shall the Act be approved which expands the ad valorem tax exemption for agricultural products and equipment to include certain additional farm equipment held under a lease purchase agreement?</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div><div><div><div>-B- TO EXPAND THE AD VALOREM EXEMPTION FOR VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS TO INCLUDE ORGANIZATIONS WHICH REFURBISH AND OPERATE HISTORIC MILITARY AIRCRAFT FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.</div><div>House Bill No. 173 Shall the Act be approved which expands the ad valorem tax exemption for veterans organizations to include certain additional nonprofit veterans organizations which refurbish and operate historic military aircraft for educational purposes?</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div></div><div><div><div>-C- TO EXPAND THE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR PROPERTY OF CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.</div><div>House Bill No. 848 Section 1 Shall the Act be approved which grants an exemption from ad valorem taxation on property owned by a charitable institution which generates income when that income is used exclusively for the operation of such charitable institution?</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div><div><div><div>-D- TO PROVIDE A HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION TO CERTAIN RESIDENTS WHO ARE SENIOR CITIZENS WITH RESPECT TO STATE AD VALOREM TAXES.</div><div>House Bill No. 848 Section 3 Shall the Act be approved which provides a homestead exemption for senior citizens in an amount equal to the actual levy for state ad valorem tax purposes on the homestead?</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div><div><div><div>-E- TO PROVIDE A HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FOR THE SURVIVING SPOUSE OF A PEACE OFFICER OR FIREFIGHTER KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.</div><div>House Bill No. 81 Section 2 Shall the Act be approved which provides a homestead exemption for the full value of the homestead with respect to all ad valorem taxes for the unmarried surviving spouse of a peace officer or firefighter who was killed in the line of duty?</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div><div><div><div>-F- TO PROVIDE THAT A SURVIVING SPOUSE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO A CONTINUATION OF THE BASE YEAR VALUE UNDER A BASE YEAR ASSESSED VALUE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION.</div><div>House Bill No. 81 Section 4 Shall the Act be approved which provides that, with respect to base year assessed value homestead exemptions, the surviving spouse of a deceased spouse who has been granted such a homestead exemption shall receive that exemption at the same base year valuation that applied to the deceased spouse so long as that surviving spouse continues to occupy the home as a residence and homestead?</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div></div><div><div>THE COLUMBIA COUNTY GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS REFERENDUM</div></div><div><div>1. Water Bonds</div><div>"Shall General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$12,475,000.00 be issued by Columbia County, Georgia to finance the cost of acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping certain water, sewerage and stormwater facilities and infrastructure, to prepare a master plan for the Stormwater Utility Service Area and to pay capitalized interest on such Bonds for a period not to exceed 13 months?"</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div><div><div>2. Transportation Bonds</div><div>"Shall General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$16,915,000.00 be issued by Columbia County, Georgia to finance the cost of planning, designing, constructing and improving streets, roads, bridges and sidewalks and to pay capitalized interest on such Bonds for a period not to exceed 13 months?"</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div><div><div>3. Recreation Bonds</div><div>"Shall General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$9,310,000.00 be issued by Columbia County, Georgia to finance the cost of planning, acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping park and recreational facilities and to pay capitalized interest on such Bonds for a period not to exceed 13 months?"</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div><div><div>4. Public Safety Bonds</div><div>"Shall General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$5,080,000.00 be issued by Columbia County, Georgia to finance the cost of acquiring, constructing and equipping public safety buildings and acquiring public safety equipment and to pay capitalized interest on such Bonds for a period not to exceed 13 months?"</div><div><div><div><div></div></div><div>YES</div></div><div><div><div></div></div><div>NO</div></div></div></div></div></div></div></div></div></div>
